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### To:

Personal Care Providers HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

# View electronic versions of Personal Care Handbook on Medicaid Web site

In January 2000, Wisconsin Medicaid sent the Personal Care Handbook to all personal care providers. Now the electronic version of the handbook is available on the Medicaid Web site.

The three ways to view the Personal Care Handbook on the Medicaid Web site are:

- Interactive version.
- PDF version.
- Text-only version.

You can view the Medicaid Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.

To find the Personal Care Handbook:

- 1. Choose *Medicaid Provider Publications* from the main menu of the Medicaid Web site home page. (Refer to Example screen #1 of the Attachment.)
- 2. Select Wisconsin Medicaid Provider Handbooks and handbook replacement pages.
- 3. Choose *Personal Care* from the list of handbooks to get to the interactive version of the handbook or the text-only version.

### **Interactive version**

"Interactive" means that users can navigate through the handbook by using the pop-up menus at the top of the screen. Each menu lists the chapters included in each section. (Refer to Example screen #2 of the Attachment.)

In addition to having pop-up menus, links to related appendices and state and federal laws are just a mouse-click away. These links are easily distinguished from the rest of the text. In Example screen #3 of the Attachment, the reference to HFS 101.03 (96m)(b)(6), Wis. Admin. Code, is easily distinguished from the rest of the text because it is underlined and in a different color. After viewing the reference, click "Back" at the top of your screen to get to the chapter you were previously viewing.

The interactive version of the handbook is particularly useful for users who:

- Have Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator Internet browsers 4.0 and higher.
- Want easy access to each chapter and chapter heading from the navigation menu at the top of each page.

### *Printer-friendly version*

A "Printer-friendly version" icon appears in the left margin of each page of the interactive handbook. Users may click on this, and the PDF version of the chapter, section, or appendix they are viewing will appear in the Adobe Acrobat 7 Reader viewer. You can

download Adobe Acrobat® Reader free-ofcharge from Adobe's Web site at www.adobe.com. From this, users can print the chapter they are viewing in its original print format. Refer to the next section of this Update on how to open, view, and print PDF files on your computer.

### **PDF** version

PDF-formatted publications have the following characteristics:

- Are downloaded to your computer and viewed on Adobe Acrobat® Reader, which can be downloaded for free from the Adobe Web site at www.adobe.com/.
- Are saved in original format, including all original graphics and fonts.
- Print out exactly like the original document received in paper copy.

These PDF files are original files formatted specifically for your printer but are not always easy to view on a computer screen.

# How to get to the PDF version

From the interactive version of the handbook, scroll down to the bottom of the screen and click on "PDF download" to view and print particular sections or the whole handbook. To view and print a chapter you are viewing, click on the "Printer-friendly version" icon.

From the text-only version of the handbook, choose "PDF version (this chapter)" from the top of the screen.

### **Text-only version**

The text-only version of the handbook allows you to view the contents of the handbook without any graphics. Like the interactive version, appendices and other links are just a mouse-click away. In Example screen #4 of the

Attachment, the subject you want to view will be displayed after you choose it from the menu. In this example, disposable medical supplies was the section selected.

To get to the text-only version of the Personal Care Handbook, choose "text-only version" from the list of handbooks available on the Medicaid Web site.

The text-only version of the handbook is particularly useful for users who:

- Have Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator Internet browsers 3.0 and lower.
- Have slower computers or slow connection speeds (i.e., 14.4 k modems).
- Require "readers" (for the visually impaired).

# Other interactive handbooks on the Medicaid Web site

The Physician Services Handbook is also available in an interactive version on the Medicaid Web site. Other interactive versions of handbooks will be available as Wisconsin Medicaid reissues the paper version of these handbooks.

The *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Although the *Update* refers to Medicaid recipients, all information applies to BadgerCare recipients also.

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare are administered by the Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, P.O. Box 309, Madison, WI 53701-0309.

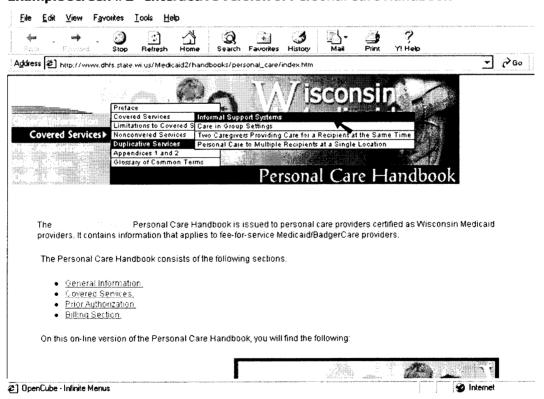
For questions, call Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883 or visit our Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.

# ATTACHMENT Example Screens

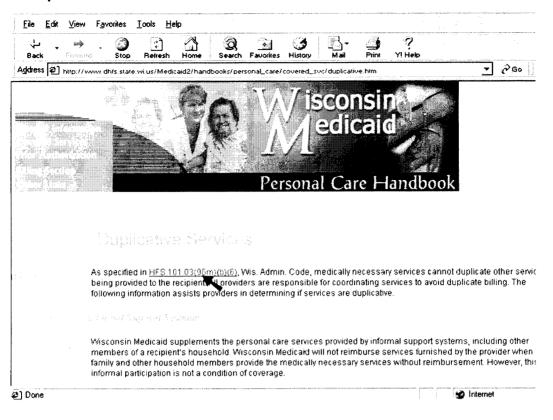
# Example screen #1 - Medicaid Web site main menu



#### Example screen #2 - Interactive version of Personal Care Handbook



# **Example screen #3 - Link to Wisconsin Administrative Code**



# Example screen #4 - Text-only version of Personal Care Handbook

